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In re Application of:

Benayoun, A. et al.

Serial No.: 09/493,242

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FILE MANAGER FOR STORING SEVERAL VERSIONS OF A FILE

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 **BOX AF** 

### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

### **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claim 16 without prejudice or disclaimer.

1. (Amended) A file manager provided for locating a file identified by a path referring to a 1 unit and an identifier, comprising: 3

a table for associating said file with a priority list of physical units,

wherein said physical units store a plurality of versions of said file, and

wherein said table comprises a plurality of associations of a same file logical path

6 name and a file name in a one-to-one correspondence with a plurality of physical units.

11. (Amended) A file manager for locating a file, comprising:

a table for associating said file with a priority list of physical units,

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Enclosed § 1.116 Amendment Re:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/493,242

Our Ref: YOR.163

Dear Examiner Woo:

Pursuant to our message today, enclosed is the Amendment which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

Peter G. Balance

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SMM/wdc Enclosure

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